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Letter from wife of Muhammad Ali regarding Case No: CASE-16-01193; Parcel No: 1530420000 Protest of Assessment Fee and Demolition plans

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Wed, Feb 21, 2018 at 12:32 PM

To: "cityclerk@cityofomaha.org" <cityclerk@cityofomaha.org>

To Whom It May Concern:

Attached are photos of Muhammad Ali and Khalilah Ali and photos of Khalilah Ali and myself, Midge McDaniel. Khalilah asked that I forward this to you to be filed with her letter.

Thank you so much!

Midge

From: Midge McDaniel

Sent: Wednesday, February 21, 2018 1:11 PM

To: 'cityclerk@cityofomaha.org' <cityclerk@cityofomaha.org>

Subject: Letter from wife of Muhammad Ali regarding Case No: CASE-16-01193; Parcel No: 1530420000 Protest of Assessment Fee and Demolition plans

Importance: High

To Whom This May Concern,

This email is in regards to Case No: CASE-16-01193; Parcel No: 1530420000. 2102 Pinkney Street, Omaha, NE.

My name is Mildred "Midge" McDaniel and I am the owner of this property. I recently received a letter from Elizabeth Butler regarding a possible \$5,250.00 Assessment Fee and from Tracy Murray, Acting Chief Housing Inspector, for bidding for demolishing plans for my property at 2102 Pinkney Street in Omaha, NE. This home is listed in the National Registry of Historic Places and is an historic landmark in the name of the "John E. Reagan" home.

Khalilah Ali, who was married to the former heavyweight champion boxer, Muhammad Ali, has asked me to forward her letter to you in regards to the letters that you've recently sent. Khalilah, as well as her company "TEAM ALI", is very interested in my historic home and has plans for it. Unfortunately, neither one of us will be able to attend the meetings since I live in Florida and she is currently working on her upcoming movie. In the meantime, I have asked a relative in Omaha to assure that the windows and doors to the home are all boarded up and to keep up the landscaping. He only lives a few blocks away and has agreed to do this.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Many thanks,

Midge

Midge McDaniel

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Sent: Wednesday, February 21, 2018 1:01 PM

To: Midge McDaniel <mmcdanie@stetson.edu>

Subject: Khalilah Ali's Letter to City of Omaha

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Case No: CASE-16-01193

Parcel No: 1530420000

Ms. Tracy Murray,

This letter is a follow-up to my conversation yesterday with your assistant and to let the City of Omaha Planning Department know that I, Khalilah Ali, who was married to Muhammad Ali, and is dba "TEAM ALI", has interest in the historic property of **2102 Pinkney Street, in Omaha, Nebraska**. I've already spoken with the owner, Mildred McDaniel, whom we call "Midge", who is a GREAT and personal friend of the Ali Family, to let her know that TEAM ALI would like to conduct business at The John E. Reagan home which will include:

- Meet and Greets with Celebrity Guests
- Personalized Autograph Signings
- Book Appearances and Signings

I am also aware that the Malcolm X historic site is also nearby which makes this historic home even more an interest to myself because Malcolm was a personal friend of both my husband and I. His daughter, Attallah Shabazz spoke at Muhammad's funeral.

What I would like to know is why hasn't the City of Omaha provided any type of funding to assist with restoring this historic home? You receive funds for this yearly. I've had my attorney research this area and learned that other historic homes in this area has been given various types of grants and funds to assist with the restoration. Why not this property? As I'm sure you are aware of, historic properties are worthy of saving! Instead of plans to demolish this home, you should be trying to assist with saving the home. If Midge wasn't a personal friend of the Ali family, because of your lack of assisting her, we would take our business elsewhere. BUT, she loves her hometown and I love her so this is why we are doing this. But, it would be nice and helpful if the City did what it could to preserve this historic home as well. The Ali family would appreciate some type of positive action from the City of Omaha; especially with our plans to bring millions of visitors/tourists to your City. We will assist her with restoring her home however, I know and feel that the City of Omaha can and should do what you can as well.

Midge suggested that we open up a TEAM ALI Gymnasium in Omaha so we look forward to looking into this as well. With the "Muhammad Ali" name, our plans will greatly benefit Omaha.

We are currently focused on an upcoming action hero movie that we are producing but do look forward to conducting business in Omaha and at her historic home in the near future. For this reason, we kindly ask that you dismiss any demolition plans and not to warrant any "special assessment fees" to this property as this will be a negative action towards TEAM ALI's plans and won't fare well with our sponsors. TEAM ALI looks forward to being a part of the great Omaha tradition.

Sincerely,

Khalilah Camacho-Ali